

CAPITAL RAILWAY COMPANY.

JUNE 15, 1898.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

Mr. BABCOCK, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 10667.]

The Committee on the District of Columbia, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 10667) to change the name of the Capital Railway Company, after consideration of the subject report the bill back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendment:

Line 5, add, after the word "Company," the following:

Provided, That such change of name shall not, in any way, affect the existing obligations of said railway company.

The object of the proposed legislation is to change the name of the Capital Railway Company to the Washington City Railway Company.

By an act of Congress approved March 1, 1895, the Rock Creek Railway Company was authorized to change its name to The Capital Traction Company, and by an act of Congress approved March 2, 1895, a charter was granted to the Capital Railway Company. The similarity of the names of the two different companies has caused a great deal of confusion in the past, and the purpose of this bill is simply to do away with the name of the Capital Railway Company by authorizing the corporation to take the new name of the Washington City Railway Company.

The bill as reported has the approval of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, and their communication on the subject is incorporated as a part of this report.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, June 13, 1898.

DEAR SIR: The Commissioners have the honor to return herewith H. R. 10667, with the recommendation that there be added to bill as it now stands the following: "*Provided*, That such change of name shall not in any way affect the existing obligations of said railway company;" with which provision the bill meets the approval of the Commissioners.

Very respectfully,

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President Board of Commissioners District of Columbia.

Hon. J. W. BABCOCK,
Chairman District Committee, House of Representatives.